Improving Student Success at UW-Milwaukee

Chancellor Michael R. Lovell
Our Unique, Threefold Mission

1. Providing access
2. Conducting research
3. Serving regional needs
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Median family income*

UW-Milwaukee $60,657
UW System $74,950
UW-Madison $99,018

*Among Fall 2011 undergraduates applying for financial aid
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Pell-eligible students*

UW-Milwaukee  38%
UW System      34%
UW-Madison     17%

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Students enrolled from WI*

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*Fall 2012 Preliminary Enrollment Reports, UW System Office of Policy Analysis and Research
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Enrolled veterans*
UW-Milwaukee 1,024
UW-Madison 523
UW-Oshkosh 435
UW-Green Bay 336
UW-Stout 319

*Receiving benefits, Fall 2011
Peer Universities’ 6-Year Graduation Rates, 2005 cohort

University of Texas – Dallas 61%
University of Illinois – Chicago 54
Georgia State University 47
University of Toledo 45
University of Missouri – Kansas City 43
University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee 40
University of Akron 40
University of New Orleans 38
Portland State University 38
Cleveland State University 30
Wayne State University 26
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Jake Klipp, Class of 2012

• Started in 2000 while in Marine Corps Reserve
• Put education on hold for tour in Iraq
• After tour worked in bank for four years
• Returned to college; graduated last May
  • Proud owner of Brazilian Jiu Jitsu gym
  • Veteran cage fighter
  • Using UWM creating writing degree to freelance write for US Combat Sports
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UWM 6-Year Graduation Rate Improvement Goals

Fall 2011  40%
Fall 2012  42%
Fall 2017  50%
High-Impact Strategies

- Focusing on scholarships
- Building retention programs
- Engaging students of color
High-Impact Strategies

Focusing on scholarships

• Was major element of Campaign for UWM, 2006-08
• Will be focus of our upcoming “student first” comprehensive campaign
High-Impact Strategies

Building retention in last 5 years

• First-year transition courses (56% participation)
• Mentoring (3.8% to 67.5% participation)
• Supplemental instruction (2.9% to 25.2% participation)
• Tutoring (13.1% to 26% participation)
High-Impact Strategies

Building retention in last 5 years

• Living-Learning Communities (0% to 16.1% participation)
• Formal internships (44% participation)
• Service learning (27% participation)
• Undergraduate research (15% participation)
High-Impact Strategies

Engaging students of color
• Access to Success
• Specialized programs with corporations (Northwestern Mutual)
• Milwaukee Succeeds
• Milwaukee Partnership Academy
• Milwaukee Connected Community
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